A Spectrum of IV&V Modeling Techniques

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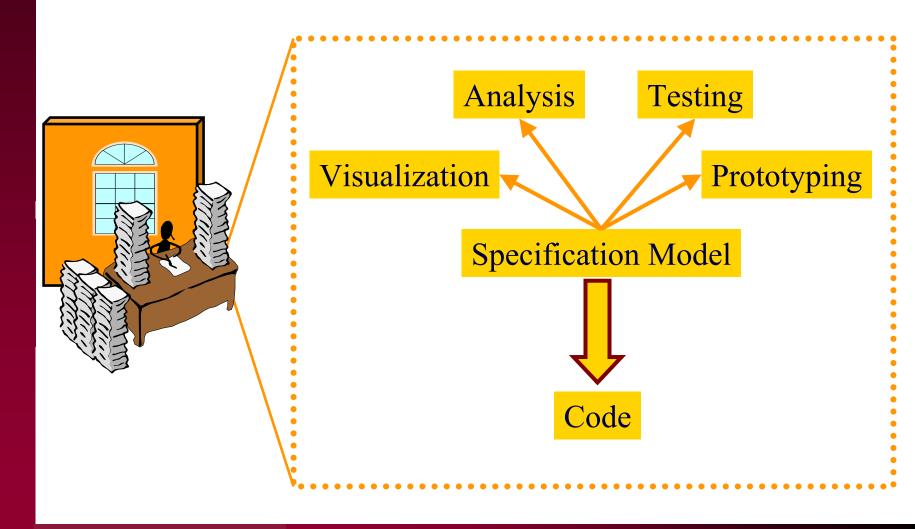
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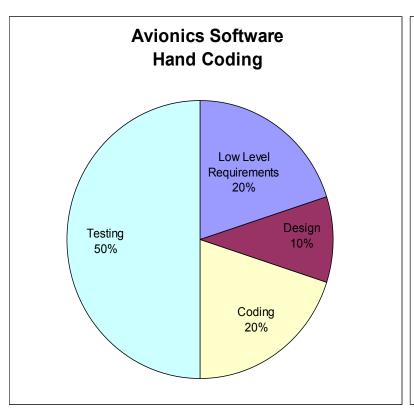
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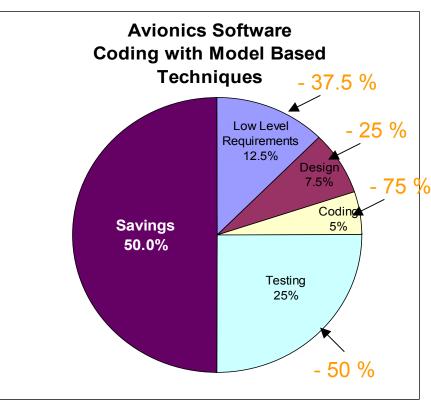
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Model-Based Development



ROI with Model Based Development





Source: Esterel Technologies

Model-Based Development

Coming to projects everywhere—soon

- Model based development in some form will in the near future be the norm in critical systems development
 - Airbus Industries require the use of model based techniques from all vendors
 - ◆ Boeing currently evaluating what to require not if they will require something
 - Honeywell and Rockwell Collins are fielding the capabilities within the next two years
 - Etc., etc.

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Subject:

JPL Welcomes World-Renowned Software Specialist

Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, Calif.

Dr. Gerard Holzmann, a leader in software verification and validation, has joined NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, Calif. Holzmann will lead and conduct research, development and applications in Software verification and validation.

The Association for Computing Machinery presented Holzmann with the prestigious Software Systems Award for development of Spin, a program devoted to the efficient detection of defects in network computers.



At 08:00 AM 5/5/2003 -0400, Nelson Keeler wrote: Will this make our work at JPL harder or easier?

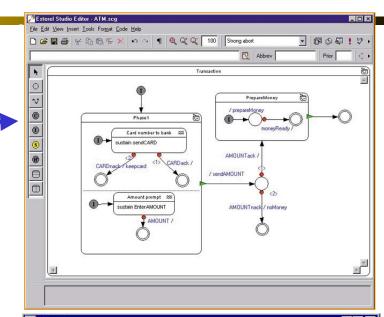
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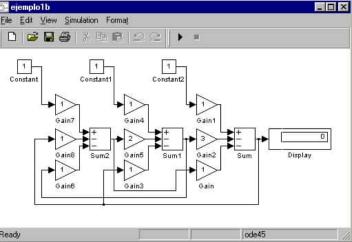
harder- unless we can keep up with the boom in model-based methods



Model-Based Development Tools

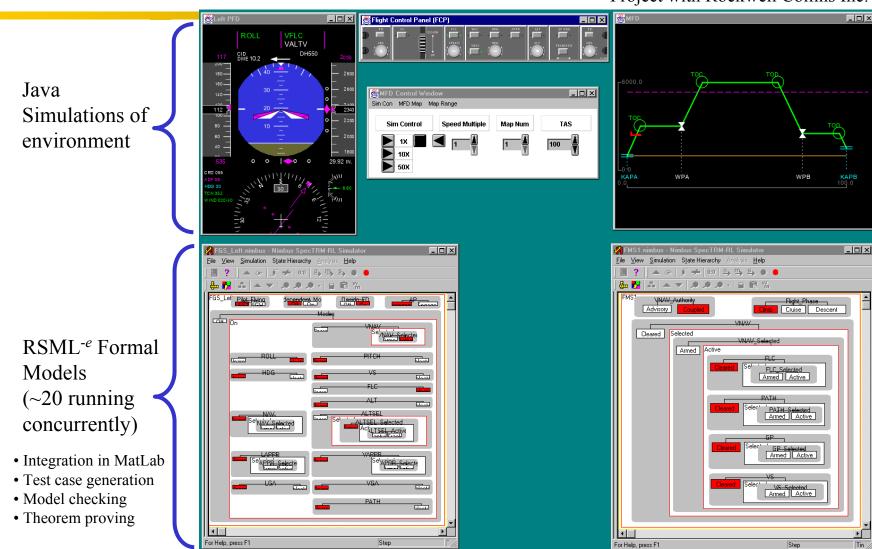
- Commercial Products
 - Esterel Studio and SCADE Studio from Esterel Technologies
 - Rhapsody from I-Logix
 - Rose Real-Time from Rational
 - Simulink and Stateflow from Mathworks Inc.



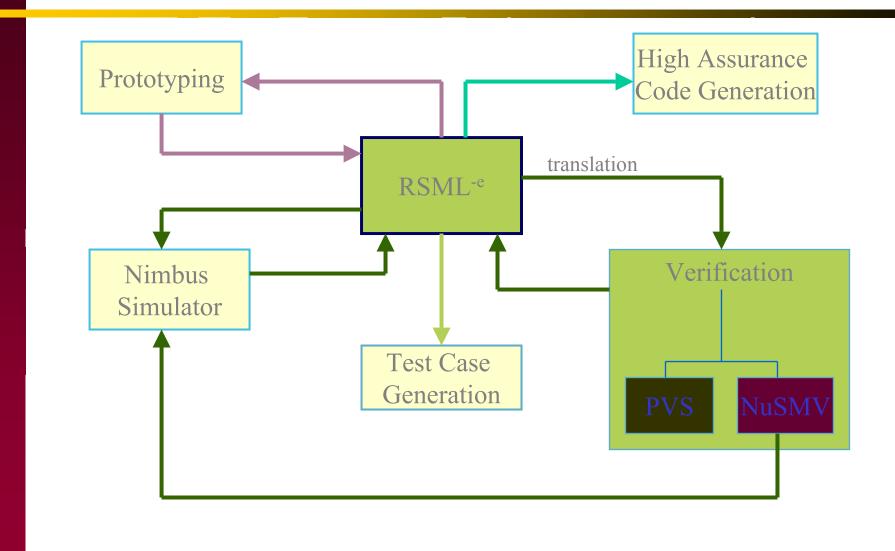


RSML^{-e} and Nimbus

Project with Rockwell Collins Inc.



Specification Centered Software Development

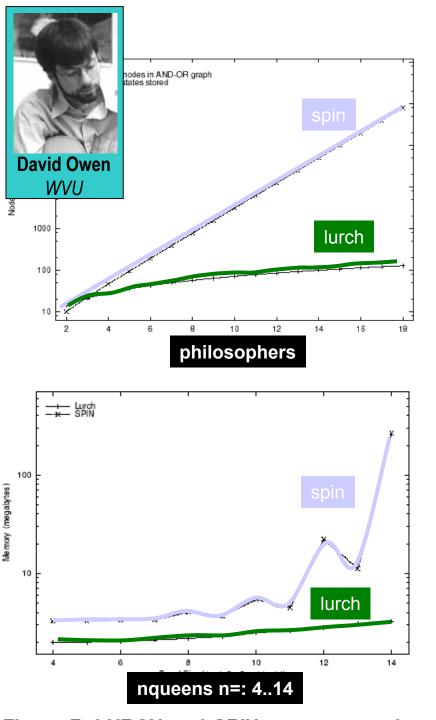


Formal Verification

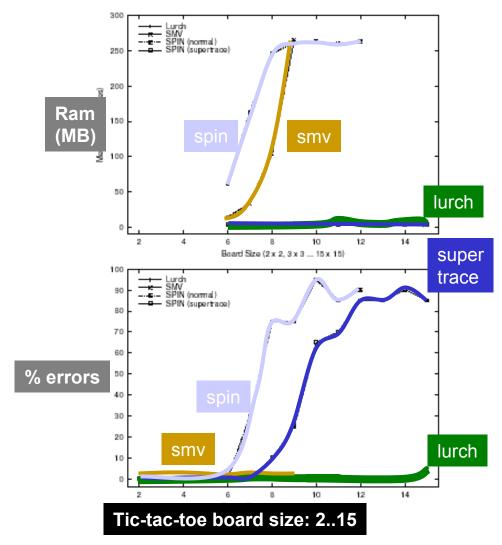
- Model Checking
 - Exhaustive state space exploration
 - Tools—SMV, FormalCheck, SPIN, etc.
 - NASA Ames and JPL
 - State space explosion a problem
 - Verification effort exponential in problem size
- Theorem Proving
 - Guided tools for analytical proofs
 - Tools—PVS, ACL-2, HOL
 - NASA Langley
 - Generally quite difficult to use

Alternative – LURCH

- Mathematical model of software
 - FSMs
- Internally, AND-OR graphs (compact)
- Repeat a few times
 - Reset
 - Run
 - Resolve conflicts at random



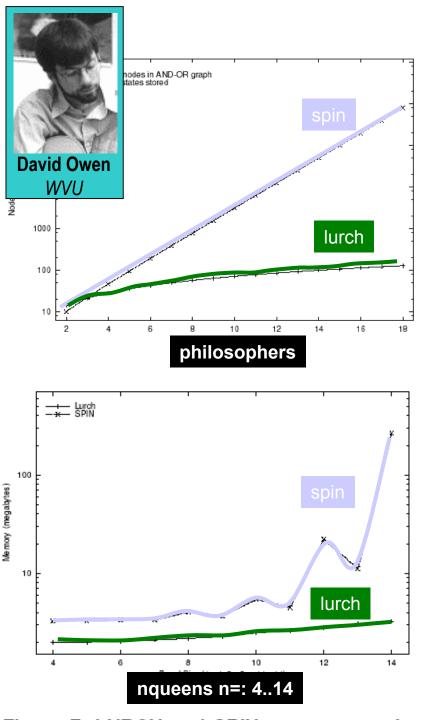
LURCH: son of HT0 (temporal properties)



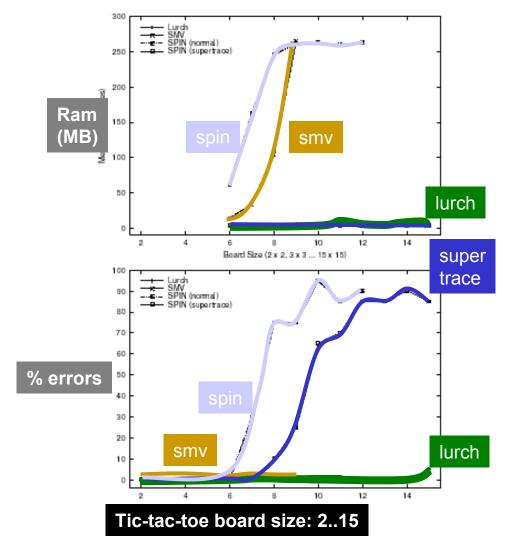
The Question

• Since Lurch is random—how many problems will it miss??

- Hypothesis:
- Problems are either very easy to find, or they are not likely to be not there at all
 - ◆ How likely?????



LURCH: son of HT0 (temporal properties)



Open Issue—Last Review

- If the random search does not find problems, are there none?
 - Compare the stochastic results with full verification on realistic models
 - Experiments using:
 - RSML-e
 - Nimbus
 - SMV
 - Stochastic search
 - Flight guidance models from Rockwell Collins

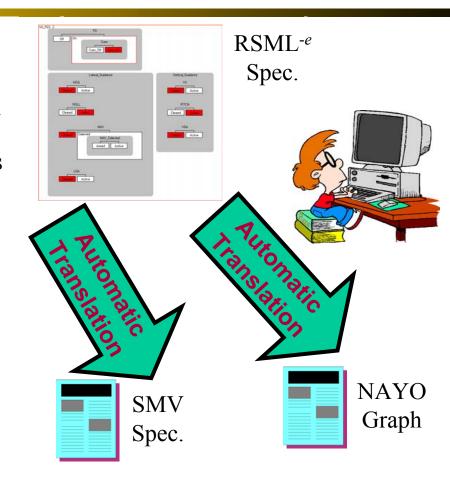
Analysis Experiment

• Available Resources:

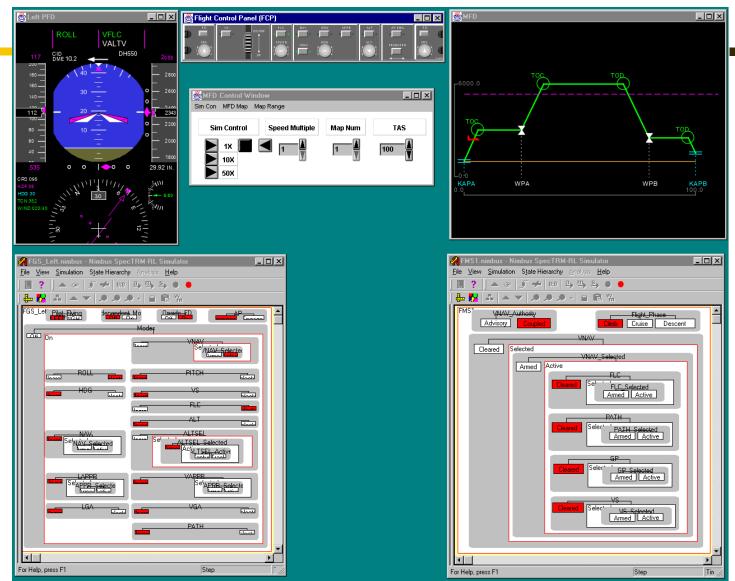
- ◆ 6 RSML^{-e} models of Flight Guidance System from Rockwell Collins Inc.
- Collection of desirable properties
- ◆ Translator from RSML^{-e} to
 - SMV
 - FSM suitable for stochastic search

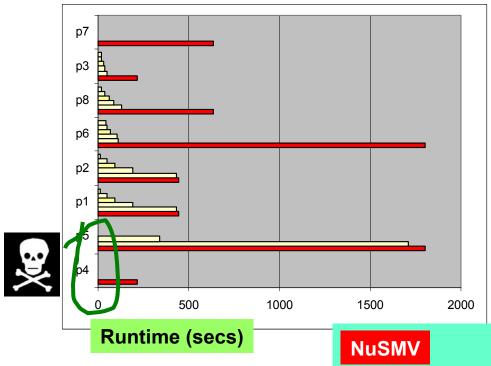
• Experimental Method:

- Seed errors in the FGS models
- Apply stochastic search as well as full formal verification
- Compare performance and detection capability

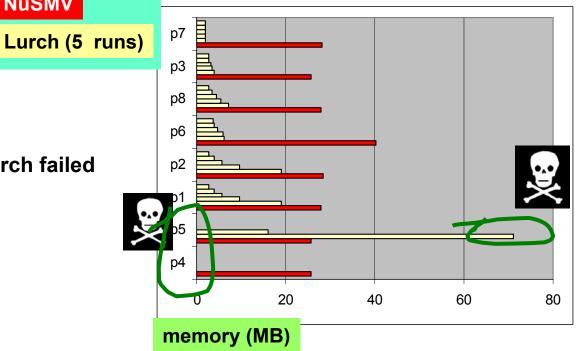


Flight Guidance System





- Sometimes, (8/40) random search failed
- Often, much faster
- Often, much smaller



Summary

- Hypothesis seems to hold
 - Most faults easy to find
- Huge impact for
 - Static analysis
 - Especially refutation
 - Stochastic testing
 - May be as effective as any other testing techniqu

- Stochastic state space exploration may hold the key
 - Initial experiments are very encouraging
- But, we need to explore further
 - Rigorous experiments are starting as I speak
- We may also evaluate alternative analysis tools
 - SAL from SRI